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FOREWORD

The Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in the United States--New Hampshire is one of a number of bibliographies of historical materials prepared throughout the United States by workers on the Historical Records Survey of the Work Projects Administration. The publication herewith presented is one in a series of volumes covering each state in the Union.

The Historical Records Survey was undertaken in the winter of 1935-36 for providing useful employment to needy unemployed historians, lawyers, teachers, and research and clerical workers. In carrying out their objective, the project was organized to compile inventories of historical materials, particularly the unpublished government documents and records which are basic in the administration of local government, and which provide invaluable data for students of political, economic, and social history. The guide to manuscript depositories herewith presented is intended to meet the requirements of scholars and others who may be interested in historical research.

The successful conclusion of the work of the Historical Records Survey Program, even in a single county, would not be possible without the support of public officials, historical and legal specialists, and many other groups in the community. Their cooperation is gratefully acknowledged.

The Survey Program was organized by Luther H. Evans and is now directed by Sargent B. Child. The Program operates as a nation-wide project in the Division of Professional and Service Projects, of which Mrs. Florence Kerr, Assistant Commissioner, is in charge.

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P R E F A C E

In January 1936, the Manual of the Historical Records Survey announced that the program of the Survey would be devoted to the discovery, preservation, and making accessible basic materials for research in the history of our country. In December 1936, the Committee on Historical Source Materials, American Historical Association, discussed with the Director of the nation-wide Survey the question of bringing the manuscript resources of this country under control. As a result a manuscript survey was added to the program and listing of manuscript depositories began in New Hampshire.

The Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in the United States is to be published in a series of volumes covering each state. This publication is New Hampshire's contribution to this series.

This volume represents a group of New Hampshire institutions in whose libraries manuscripts are housed. It lists historical societies, public libraries, museums, and academic institutions, but is not intended to cover the vast number of manuscript collections in the possession of families and commercial enterprises, and in the hands of private collectors.

It is a pleasure to acknowledge the cordial cooperation the custodians of manuscripts have given our workers. We appreciate their assistance and encouragement upon which much of the success of the program depends. In order to obtain information upon the institutions described in this volume, workers presented a questionnaire to the custodians of manuscripts. The questionnaires were signed by the custodians to signify the correctness of the information. Descriptions were written from the questionnaires, and the entries were again submitted to custodians for their approval or revision. The book has been compiled in accordance with instructions and editorial suggestions issued by Margaret S. Eliot, Assistant Archivist in charge of manuscript inventories, in the Washington office of the Survey.

Since this is a preliminary edition, it is to be hoped that additional information relative to the location of manuscripts may be forthcoming. Communications should be addressed to the Historical Records Survey Project, Lincoln and Silver Streets, Manchester, New Hampshire.

A list of the publications of this Survey will be found at the back of this book.

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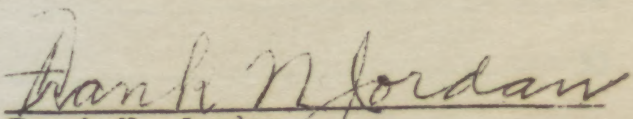

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AMHERST.- AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY, Main St., N. H.
Route #101. Librarian, Rosalie Norris. Hours: Wed.
2 p.m. to 5p.m.; Sat. 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Amherst Library Association established the library in 1859; in 1879 the town of Amherst took over its support. Manuscripts of local interest are accepted as gifts; no purchases, sales, or exchanges are made. The library is housed in a one-story, fire-resistant, granite building, constructed in 1890-91, and renovated in 1910. Outside dimensions are 45' x 45'. The manuscripts are in the Historical Room; space is adequate.

Holdings

Proprietors' Records of Amherst, 1728-71, 1 vol., show divisions of lands and minutes of meetings; MS. of John FARMER'S "Historical Sketch of Amherst," 1 vol.; letter from Daniel WEBSTER to C. H. ATHERTON, 1812; 2 letters from Horace GREELEY to Richard BOYLSTON, 1847; from GREELEY to Clark B. COCHRAN, 1858; from GREELEY to Margaret ALLEN, 1865; from Frank PIERCE to Moses MORRIS, 1853.

There is no catalogue.

Material is available to users. There is no copy service. The Historical Room is unheated in winter.

AUBURN.- GRIFFIN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.
Librarian, Mrs. M. B. Bramhall. Hours: 2 p.m. to
5 p.m. Sat.

On July 4, 1892, Sebastian S. Griffin turned his valuable personal library over to the custody of trustees elected by the town at town meeting in March 1892. On March 14, 1893, Mr. Griffin offered his museum and library building to the town with the following provisions: the building was to be moved and a suitable addition made with two rooms, the south room to contain the museum; the north room to represent an old fashioned kitchen, the donor furnishing it completely. The museum was to remain in the town of Auburn and not to be sold or disposed of to other parties; it was to retain its name, the Griffin Museum in connection with the Griffin Library. The citizens of Auburn were to have free access to the museum and visitors should pay an entrance fee, the amount to be decided by the trustees; money from the fees was to be used to pay for the services of a librarian. The library is housed in a one-story, wooden building.

Holdings

The material consists of items of local historical interest.

There are 4 volumes and 1 piece which have been neither arranged nor catalogued.

Material is available to users upon application to the librarian. There is no copy service.

CANDIA.- SMYTH PUBLIC LIBRARY, Concord Road. Librarian,
Elizabeth Peterson. Hours: Sat. 2 to 7 p.m.

The library is housed in a one-story, fire-resistant, brick building constructed in 1932. It is a public library. Outside dimensions are 40' x 20'. Space is adequate. Manuscripts in this depository were discovered by Historical Records workers, in a shed belonging to the Manchester Water Works in Auburn. The selectmen of Candia received the collection from the Manchester Water Works in May 1937.

Holdings

Most of the material relates to a saw mill and a hat factory; 10 day-books, 1833-83; 3 ledgers, 1837-57; 1 fee book, 1830-57; Post Office accounts, 1843-53; jobber's ledger, 1835-36; 10 sheets of Candia Town records, scattered dates 1814-1908; "A Brief History of Candia, N. H.," 1900, 1 vol. by Walter LANG.

There are no restrictions to the use of this material.
There is no copy service.

CLAREMONT.- FISKE FREE LIBRARY, Broad St. Librarian, Sarah Gilmore. Hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., week days.

The library was founded as a public institution in 1873. All manuscripts are acquired by gift except the Union Church records which are on deposit. No purchases are made and no material is sold or exchanged. The library is housed in a one and one-half story, non-fire-proof, brick building, constructed in 1903. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Union Church records, 1771 (1817-18) 1926, 6 vols., 1 loose leaf book, 52 packages: register of marriages, baptisms, confirmations, deaths, burials, communicants, records of receipts and expenditures, debts of society, treasurers' reports, tabulations of vestry meetings, auditors' reports, Sabbath Day sermons, history of Union Church. In addition to the church records there are diaries, account books, and letters which relate to local historical matters, such as account book of Lemuel DEAN, 1796-1820; diary of Harvey TOLLES, 1840-69; account book of Dunbar V. RALSTON, 1797-98; diary of Linus STEVENS, 1833-71; sailor's log of Aaron FOSTER, 1797.

There are 25 volumes and 1071 pieces for which there is no arrangement or catalogue. The librarian keeps a record of accessions with donor's name and date received.

Permission to examine material must be obtained from the librarian for its own manuscripts; the church records may be used only by permission of Miss Anne L. Lewis, 53 Eastman St., Claremont, and their use must be under her supervision.

CONCORD.- NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Park St.
Director and Secretary, Otis Grant Hammond. Hours: 9 a.m.
to 5 p.m. week days, except Sat. p.m. and holidays.

The society was formed at Portsmouth, May 20, 1823, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature, June 13, 1823. Its object is "To discover, procure, and preserve whatever may relate to the natural, civil, literary, and ecclesiastical history of the United States in general and of this State in particular." This society accepts both gifts and loans. Manuscripts are not exchanged, but any manuscript definitely belonging in another state is customarily given to the state or society to which it logically belongs. Manuscripts are bought when funds are available. The present two-story, fireproof building was dedicated November 23, 1911; it is built of New Hampshire granite, Old Convent Sienna and other marbles. Outside dimensions are 90' x 150'. The building is used also as a museum and picture gallery. Prior to the erection of this building, collections of the society were housed in a three-story, brick building at 214 North Main St., erected in 1826 for a bank, in which Franklin Pierce had his law office.

Holdings

Items of general interest, New Hampshire in particular. There are extensive genealogical materials, old church records, and early town records. Representative of the town records is the Durham material which consists of highway tax books, 1803-34, 1852-87, 6 vols.; ministerial subscriptions; non-resident tax list, 1816-20; records of the transfer of personal property by mortgage, 1832-95; records on paupers and wharves, 1798-1806, 1813-98 (1798-1806 contains only records of paupers; 1847-98 contains only contracts for wharves); rum record, 1794-1849 and records of fence-viewers, 1808-86; tax inventories, 1788-90, 95, 96, 98, 1805, 1815-32, 1835-80, 18 vols.; town records, 1732-1888, 6 vols.; vital records, 1780-1859, 2 vols.; Board of Education, Treasurer's report, 1886-1909; surveyors of highways, accounts, 1810-30; School District Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 10, records, 1835-85; selectmen's accounts, 1784-1877, 3 vols.; superintending school committee records, 1828-38, reports, 1845, 1856, 1857, 1864, for Dover, 1845, 1856 and 1858-63; plan of Durham, plan of road from Durham village to Newmarket, N. H.; records of the transfer of personal property by mortgage, 1832-95, 4 vols.; records of marriages and deaths in Durham made by Alvan TOBEY, 2 vols., 1834-74; Temperance Society records, 1829-50. The society's collection of early New Hampshire newspapers is said to be the largest in the country.

The director has not segregated manuscripts from published material and has found it impossible to give the amount of

manuscripts in the depository. All holdings have been arranged sufficiently to be accessible, but few are arranged in detail. Arrangement follows various principles: author, subject, geographical location. Type determines arrangement.

Material may be consulted with permission of the director. Photostatic copies may be obtained at \$.50 to \$1.00 per page, depending upon size. Other copy service is available.

See. - New Hampshire Historical Society Reports (1921, 1922); New Hampshire Historical Society Collections, 14 vols. (Concord, 1824-1931); The Handbook (sometimes called the Manual of the New Hampshire Historical Society), pub. irregularly (1841+); Library of Congress, Manuscripts in Public and Private Collections in the United States, (1926).

CONCORD.- NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE LIBRARY, 20 Park St.
State Librarian, Thelma Brackett. Hours: 8:30 a.m. to
5 p.m. weekdays, except Sat. p.m.

The State Library, which had been established prior to 1823, was in 1866 put under a board of trustees and made of wider use. It is maintained "for the use of members of the legislative, executive, and judicial departments of the State government, and as a reference library for the use of every citizen of the State." It receives an annual appropriation for purchases; it also accepts suitable gifts and in some cases serves as a depository for material on loan.

Holdings

New Hampshire material for the 18th and 19th c. Miscellaneous material varies: diaries; minutes of organizations; town records; etc.; the BARTLETT Collection, 1704-1864, records the activities of a physician-statesman who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and papers of his descendants, 22 vols. and 2 bundles; the PLUMER Collection, 1782-1854, political, legal, literary, biographical, financial, and personal items, 121 vols. and 66 bundles; military records: Rockingham Guards, 1825-49, 5 vols., 27 letters, 18 bundles; reports of Captain TOWLES' Company at Fort Constitution, 1812, 1 vol.; New Hampshire's expenses in the War of 1812, 1 vol.; clothing receipts for 3d New Hampshire Regiment, 1777-78, 1 vol.; orderly book, 1775-76, 1 vol.; paymasters' certificates, 1783-84, 3 vols.; and others; genealogies: BEAN, FOSS, EASTMAN, CLARK, CAMPBELL, families, and others; copies of letters from George WASHINGTON to John SULLIVAN; records for inquiring into losses of American Loyalists, 1783-93, 5 vols.; report of Indian Stream Commission, n.d., 1 vol.

Users must give evidence that they are responsible persons engaged in bona fide research or study. Only the Canterbury Town Records are restricted; prospective users must gain written permission from the selectmen. The custodian will furnish photostatic copies of manuscripts at current rates. Inquiries for this service should be addressed to the Secretary of State.

See.- New Hampshire State Library Biennial Report,
(Concord, 1938).

DOVER.- DOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY, Locust St. Librarian, Beatrice Jenkins. Hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily except Sun.

The Historical Room was opened in 1905 to care for interest in local history and genealogy. Manuscripts are recruited entirely by gift and there are no conditional deposits. The Historical Room is on the second floor of the Dover Public Library which building dates from 1905. This two-story structure is built of brick and stone. Outside dimensions are 62' x 66'. There is no space for expansion.

Holdings

Diary of Adoniram LITTLEFIELD (who served on the Kearsarge vs. the Alabama), 1861-64; Journal of James WHITE'S march from Dunstable to Ft. William and Mary, 1758; Samuel SLEEPER'S record of coffins made, 1817-49; Log of the Neptune, 1819; Journals of Enoch PLACE, 1810-65, 151 pieces; military records, 1861-65; minutes of the First Freewill Baptist Church, 1843-1901; minutes of Dover Fire Engine Company, 1833-45; copy of the combination for government by the people of Piscataqua, 1640. Deeds: Capt. Richard WALDRON to Thomas KELLAND, 1662; John SULLIVAN Jr. to Richard PHILPOT, 1763; Ebenezer CLOUGH and wife to Peter KING, 1713; Jabez DORMAN to Nathaniel DORMAN, 1794. Letters: Elbridge GERRY, 1772; Jeremiah MASON, 1818; Frank PIERCE, 1844; Neal DOW, 1864.

The holdings consist of 459 pieces and are catalogued and are accessible to persons applying for their use at the delivery desk. No photostatic service is available but the library will provide for copy service.

DOVER.- ANNIE E. WOODMAN INSTITUTE, Central Ave.
Curator, Melville J. Smith. Hours: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
daily.

The institute was founded by Annie E. Woodman in 1915, dedicated in 1916 for the promotion of education in science and art and the increase and dissemination of general and special historical knowledge as limited by the deed of trust; specialization in the early history of Dover and to educate as many of the poor as possible. The institute will buy but will not sell or exchange manuscripts; loans are accepted at the owner's risk; gifts are accepted. The institute is housed in a three-story brick building, constructed in 1818 by Captain William Palmer. Manuscripts are kept in a fireproof safe; space is not adequate.

Holdings

Northam Colonist Collection, papers prepared by members of this local historical society, 1900+; records of the Sawyer Post, G.A.R.; Dover minute books and miscellany, 1867-1924.

There are 10 volumes and 848 pieces for which there is neither arrangement nor catalogue.

Material is available to researchers. There is no copy service.

DURHAM.- UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, HAMILTON
SMITH LIBRARY. Librarian, Marvin Miller. Open only
by permission of a staff member.

The university was founded in 1866 and the present library combines the university and the town libraries; its purpose is to serve faculty, students, and townspeople for reference and circulation. The library has no field of specialization. Outright gifts are accepted; purchases are made only when material is not otherwise obtainable; no sales or exchanges are made. The library is housed in a two-story, non-fireproof, brick building, constructed in 1907 and remodeled in 1937. Outside dimensions are 200' x 80'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

State and town rate list of Durham, 1771, 1 vol.; copies of rate lists for Durham, 1786, 1788-1880, 5 vols.; Andrew G. SMITH'S tax list for Durham, 1824, 1 vol.; account book, 1736-70; one sheet of Dover inventory, 1741-42. University of New Hampshire: programs, administration committee meeting minutes, 1917; newspaper clippings. Durham Temperance Society pledge and copy of constitution, n. d. Petition for article in Durham town warrant, 1801, regarding ministers' pay. A. GOLDSMITH'S tax lists, 1824-27; Nathaniel DeMERRITT'S highway list, 1784. Copy of grant and description of land to Piscataqua Proprietors (land for bridge), 1793; letters to Mary, William and Nathaniel DeMERRITT, 1819, 1821, 1823-25, 1831, 1841, 1844-45, 1847. Deed of mortgage, 1717. AMBLAR and WENTWORTH, property near Little Bay. Articles of Agreement, 1759, MILLER and BUNKER, property in Durham. Deeds, BURUM to THOMPSON for land in Nottingham, 1750; WARNER to THOMPSON, land in Durham, 1774; THOMPSON to THOMPSON, 1828, Warner farm, now the property upon which New Hampshire University stands; WALES to UNDERWOOD, land in Raymond Town, Massachusetts Bay, 1777; UNDERWOOD to GAGE, land in Raymond Town, 1779; and others. Military Commission of Samuel DeMERRITT, quartermaster, 1755, captain, 1765, first lieutenant, 1786. Certificate for contribution by Benjamin THOMPSON to National Washington Monument, 1850; colonial commission, 1776, with colonial seal appointing 30 justices of peace. Mary P. THOMPSON Collection: pews in old Meeting House, deed, 1786; return of marriages, 1805-6; stamped [N. H. revenue] promissory notes, 1800-.1; Piscataqua Bridge Co., 1809, seal with cut of bridge indenture; Franklin City notes on minutes of lots in 1825; autographs of Benjamin THOMPSON, 1876; papers relating to Indian Stream lands in northern New Hampshire, 1819-34; paper relating to privateers and merchant ships, 1805-15; reports of committee appointed, articles of association, report of directors to stockholders

of the Durham libraries of 1882; draft of proposed contract for consolidating Durham libraries, by Colonel HALL of Dover; notes on Dover landmarks, n. d.; letters from Alice HAYES, of Cambridge on genealogy of THOMPSON, WOODMAN, DeMERRITT, HAYES, YOUNG, BENNETT, PITMAN families, 1901; treasurer's reports on New Hampshire College, 1906-7; deeds to land owned by Benjamin THOMPSON in Durham, 1773-1827; other deeds, 1778-1815; THOMPSON homestead, farm deeds, Durham, 1758-99; private papers of Ebenezer THOMPSON, 1834-74; private papers of Benjamin THOMPSON, 1819-38; papers of Nathaniel DeMERRITT, 1759-1826; deeds of Beech Hill Farm, 1792-1819; list of Proprietors Burying Ground, 1796; oertified copy of Benj. THOMPSON'S will, settlement of estate, 1838; papers of NEWINGTON and WEEKS family, Portsmouth Bridge, etc., ca. 1800; papers relating to GREENLAND, WEEKS, and MARCH families, Durham and Portsmouth, 1770-1815. Maps, blueprints, plans, and drawings of Madbury, Newington, Lee, Dover, 1889; Durham, 1805; Dover, 1827, 1834; Greenland, 1806; Franklin City (copy) n. d.; David WIGGINS' pasture, 1808; BALLARD land, 1847-48; LASKEY great pasture, 1814; BALLARD and DAME pasture, Durham, 1808; KINCAIL lot, 1808; land in New Durham, 1807; pen drawing of Lady of the Lake ("the original sketch of the Lady of the Lake painted in water-colors by Susan DeMERRITT when about 18 years of age"). Charters: Chatham township with list of grantees and plan, 1767; New Holderness, 1761; Burton (now Albany, N. H.) with list of grantees and plan, 1766. Theses for degrees B. A. and M. A., 445 vols. Amoskeag records: Efficiency Time Studies (price for weaving and analysis), 1911-28, 12 vols.; Adjustments (decisions by Adjustment Board), 1918-23, 3 vols.; Union Committee Meetings and Reports (grievances and hurts, answers from Mill to Union), 1934, 77 folders; Observations, 1913-21, 1927-33, 4 vols.; Rates and Symbols, Recommendations, 1912-25, 4 vols.; Prices spinning costs (summary of spinning costs, rates and estimate of day help required), 1917-27, 2 vols.; Prices paid for piece work, changes in rates of wages, 1908, 1 vol.; Rejected printed forms (used up and out out, listed by numbers), 4 vols., n. d.; Accounting Department rules and printed forms (rejected) listed by numbers, 7 vols., n. d.; Worsteds cost sheet (estimated costs by style number), 1907-20, 5 vols.; Worsteds costs by departments (labor costs), 1920-35, 1 bundle; Time Study and yarn tests fixing tasks and rates, 1934, 1936, 1 folder; Account roving and yarn tests, 1928-29, 1 vol.; Put-up and material cost, 1935, 1 folder; General notices, 1910-35, 1 vol.; Pay roll notices, 1907-26, 1 bundle; Fire notices, 1908-20, 1 bundle; Overseers appointed and transferred, also general notices, 1910-28, 1 bundle; Worsteds goods woven (list of), 1932, Jan.-May, 1 bundle; Average wages earned by weavers, 1917-29, 6 vols.; Weekly and bi-weekly statements weavers' earnings, 1910-20, 1 vol.; Bi-weekly account wages earned, 1917-23, 1925-27, 1 bundle;

Shop payrolls piece workers' earnings, January 1932, envelope; Time reports, 1912-13, 1923-35, approximately 150 bundles; Records of time and wages of employees, 1925-35, 5,000 loose papers; Weekly estimates for supplies, 1912, 1 vol.; Semi-annual accounts, 1905, 1916-35, 1 vol. and 50 large envelopes; Reports on occupations, operators and rates, work reports, etc., 1918-35, folders; Reports and complaints from different departments, n. d., 1 file drawer; Notices sent to overseers--prices for weaving, etc., 1919-31, 2 bundles; Rates, prices and wages of different departments, n. d., 1 file drawer; Rates (standard sides) (running time, standard and basis), 1933-35, 8 vols.; Happenings (water table at head gates and notes of happenings), 1910-17 and 1935, 7 vols. and 1 folder; General joint committee safety and health minutes, 1923-32, 1 vol.; Physicians' cards, 1921-22, 1 bundle; Happenings report of accident department and dental reports, 1915-18, 1 vol.; Settled and unsettled accident cases (writs 1927 against Co.) including applications for pension, 1907-28, 24 shelf compartments and 13 file drawers; Minutes of women's textile and lady clerks' clubs, 1912-25, 1 vol.; Summary of yarn on hand, 1920-27, 1 vol.; Warp yarn summary, 1919-28, 2 vols.; Waste accounts, 1910-15, 1928-34, 2 vols.; Weaving prices, 1925-30, 1 vol.; Amoskeag Bulletin (newspaper of Co. semi-monthly), 1912-21, 4 vols.; Newspaper clippings about Textile Club, 1910-14, 1 vol.; Time books, 1904-23, 5 vols.; Cost of manufacturing and waste reclaiming report, 1907-12, 2 vols.; Cost of manufacturing, 1875-76, 1913-19, 1930-34, 3 vols.; Report of goods manufactured--cotton department, 1912-28, 1932-35, 3 vols. and 1 bundle; Treasurer's report of goods manufactured, 1916-26, 1928-29, 2 vols.; Worsted manufacturing report, 1914-22, 1 vol.; Cash book (cafeteria, recreation house), 1920-24, 1 vol.; Ledger, 1912-18, 1 vol.; Layout report cotton spinning, 1920-23, 1 vol.; Production and cost (spinning, spooling, warping, dressing, winding), 1913-16, 1918-34, 10 vols.; Production and distribution report (spinning, carding), 1927-29, 4 vols.; Weekly production report (dressing, weaving), 1919-29, 1931-35, 8 vols. and 1 bundle; Weekly production and stock report (drawing, spinning), 1926-29, 1 vol.; Production record (pieces, pounds, yards), 1928-30, 1 vol.; Cost of machines, 1914-21, 1 vol.; Labor turn-over, 1928, 1 vol.; Estimates of day help required (carding, weaving, cloth room, dressing, spinning, worsted and misc.), 1910-35, 13 vols. and 4 large envelopes; Manufacturing reports (work done week ending), 1887-95, 1906, 1910, 6 vols.; Cotton and worsted departments charts showing loom hours per week and looms running, 1918-23, 2 vols.; Roving received, cotton department, 1915-22, 2 vols. (record discontinued); Census of employees by nationalities, 1912-27, 1 rolled bundle; Charts of efficiency production by nationalities, 1912-29, 1 vol.; Worsted schedule divided into types of occupation, 1921, 1 vol.; Daily time slips, 1929, 1931-35, 5 cardboard boxes; Wage earnings, 1923-24, 1928, 8 file boxes; Coolidge mill data (loom prices), 1931, 1 envelope; Study course (address

and data on unemployment compensation), 1936, 1 folder; Record of employees (a folder for each employee has employment pass, notice of leaving or discharge, certificate of change in work to be employed on, notice that employee did not work, recommendation for transfer or change in rate, Stark Mills employment record, notice of death of employee, notice of injury to employee and result, overseer's certificate as to inexperienced employee), 1911-35, 134 file drawers; Recommendation for transfer or change in rate, 1922-35, 1 file drawer.

There are 162 bundles, 5000 loose sheets, 5 cardboard boxes, 56 envelopes, 82 folders, 150 file drawers, 8 file boxes, 24 shelf compartments and 151 volumes (or about 751 linear feet) plus 9 volumes, 13 bundles, 29 envelopes and 30 pieces (or 40 cubic feet), and 21 pieces exclusive of the 445 volumes of students' theses. One-half of the material has been arranged by author and subject; 10% of the accessions have been catalogued and 10% of the pieces are catalogued on 50 cards which show subject and author. There is a typewritten list of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company's manuscripts.

Material is available to users upon application to a member of the staff.

EXETER.- PHILLIPS EXETER ACADEMY, DAVIS LIBRARY,
Front St. Librarian, Mildred Vroom. Hours: Sept. to
June, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 2 to 9 p.m. July to Sept., 6
to 9 p.m. 5 nights a week; week days, except Sat.

The academy was founded in 1783 and this library
is a part of the school. Manuscripts have been acquired
as gifts and as permanent deposits made by graduates and
friends. The library is housed in a two-story, partially
fireproof, brick building constructed in 1911; manuscripts
are kept in a safe in the office on the first floor.

Holdings

Material deals mostly with the town of Exeter;
it includes letters, bills, deeds, lists, donations
and funds established, constitution and rules of the
fire society of Exeter, 1798; reports of trustees,
copies of speeches and sermons. There is also a
photograph and transcript of the deed from WEHANOWNOWIT
to Rev. John WHEELWRIGHT. Among persons and authors
represented by papers in the library are John PHILLIPS,
Samuel PHILLIPS, Daniel WEBSTER, Mesheck WEARE, President
LINCOLN, Leverett SALTONSTALL, Robert NATHAN, Charles
B. NORDHOFF, James M. HALL, Booth TARKINGTON, Roald
AMUNDSEN, and many others.

There are about 300 pieces, 80% of which have been
arranged methodically. Pieces have been catalogued on
900 cards (3 x 5) which show author, recipient, subject,
and give cross-reference information. The material is
available to users, and photostats may be obtained at
current rates.

EXETER.- EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY, Front St. Librarian, Marian Goodwin. Hours: 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. week days, Sat. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The library was established in 1852 and was housed in a schoolhouse until the present building was erected in 1894. It is a one story, yellow brick building with wooden interior. All manuscripts are acquired by gift. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Bell Collection: reward offered by David DUNBAR, Surveyor-general of His Majesty's Woods, 1733; bank stock certificate and transfer, William GARLAND to Daniel WEBSTER, 1808; order on State Treasurer, John LANGDON to Paine WINGATE, 1788; land indenture, Nathaniel GILMAN to Exeter Manufacturing Company, 1828; receipts for interest on Loan Office certificates, 1780-89, 7 sheets; bills, letters, and papers of various State, County, and Militia officers: Joseph, Nathaniel, Nicholas, and John Taylor GILMAN, William TYRELL, Josiah BARTLETT, Jere FOGG, Joseph PEARSON, Oliver PEABODY, Samuel SPARHAWK, Timothy WALKER, John CALFE, Thomas BARTLETT, W. PARKER, John DUDLEY, Samuel TENNY, Simeon LADD, N. EMERY, Jonathan CASS, Caleb ROBINSON, 1777-1848.

There are 44 sheets in one envelope 10" x 14½". Cataloguing is in process. Manuscripts may be used with permission of the library trustees and copying is allowed.

FARMINGTON.- GOODWIN LIBRARY, So. Main St. Librarian, Ethel B. Nason. Hours: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., and Sat.; 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wed. and Sat.

The library was founded in 1929. Gifts or loans of historical or museum items are accepted; there is no sale or exchange of items; items of unusual local historical interest may be purchased. The library is housed in a two-story, fireproof, brick building, constructed in 1928. Outside dimensions are 50' x 50'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

The manuscripts consist mainly of items of local interest, from the early 1800's. Records of Farmington Washingtonian Temperance Society, 1843-48; records of Farmington Musical Association, 1866-70; account book of Abram S. CLARK and Miles SCRUTON, grocers, 1844-46; letter of Moses BEGLEY from prisonship Nassau, Chatham, 1813; letter from Henry WILSON to George L. WHITEHOUSE, 1859; contract with school teacher, 1826; highway petition, 1835.

There are 3 volumes and 50 pieces which are not arranged or catalogued.

The material is available for examination by responsible persons. There is no copy service but copying will be permitted.

HANOVER.- DARTMOUTH COLLEGE LIBRARY ARCHIVES.
Archivist, Mildred L. Saunders. Hours: 8 a.m. to 12 m.,
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. week days, except Sat. p.m.

The nucleus of the collection is the papers of
Eleazar Wheelock, 1728-79, and the official records of
Dartmouth College. Manuscripts are acquired by purchase,
exchange, gift, and deposit. They are kept in steel
filing cases in the Archives Room and adjoining vault in
a fireproof building which was erected in 1928.

Holdings

Materials from 1670 with emphasis from 1750-1800.
They relate to Dartmouth College history; alumni of
Dartmouth College; New Hampshire history; Indians;
Indians-Missions; early religious history of New England;
Connecticut history, 1730-70; papers of Rufus CHOATE,
Richard HOVEY, George Perkins MARSH, Daniel WEBSTER,
Eleazar WHELOCK, Levi WOODBURY; Nathaniel PEABODY
Collection: letters from Nathaniel to Francis PEABODY,
1815-54, 25 folders; records of doctors, lawyers, and
merchants, 1770-1891, 95 vols.

There are 20,000 manuscripts, one-half of which are
arranged, calendared, and indexed. The index is arranged
alphabetically by subject, names, etc. Each catalogued
manuscript has one calendar card and as many index cards
as the subjects warrant. Collections waiting to be
catalogued have one or more subject cards which give
location in manuscripts index.

Collections may be consulted under the supervision
of the archivist. They are open to all, but a letter
of introduction is requested from non-residents. Photo-
static copies may be obtained; 18 x 22 negative \$.60,
positive \$1.10; 11 x 18 negative \$.45, positive \$.80.
Copies will be typed by arrangement with the library.

See.- Dartmouth College Manuscripts Series, James
Dow McCallum, "Letters of Eleazar Wheelock's Indians",
No. 1; Leon B. Richardson, "An Indian Preacher in England",
No. 2; W. H. Allison, Inventory of Unpublished Material
for American Religious History (1910). Library of Congress,
Manuscripts in Public and Private Collections (1924).

HOPKINTON.- NEW HAMPSHIRE ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY, William Long Memorial Building, Main St. Curator, Frances Greene. Hours: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Wed.; 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Sat.

The New Hampshire Philomathic Club was organized in November 1859 and on November 19, 1873 was reorganized as the New Hampshire Philomathic and Antiquarian Society, in Contoocook, N. H. In 1875 it was incorporated under its present name and on September 3, 1890 the society moved to Hopkinton. The purpose of the society is the collection and preservation of family, military, naval records, and books and pamphlets published in or relating to New Hampshire.

The society is particularly interested in army and navy records; material is not purchased but gifts and loans are accepted. The society is housed in a two-story, non-fireproof ("slow burning construction"), brick building, constructed in 1890. The building is used for a town library; the society's holdings are kept in two rooms and a balcony, separate from the town library. Space is inadequate.

Holdings

Silas KETCHUM Collection: Notes taken at Bangor Theological Seminary, 1863, 2 vols.; correspondence, 1862-68, 1 drawer and 1 vol.; life of Edwin SANBORN, autobiography, copied by Georgia KETCHUM, 1859, 1 vol.; life of Governor Nathaniel S. BERRY, 1796-1832; inscriptions from Old Cemetery, Concord, N. H., 1757-1882, 1 vol. Benjamin WIGGIN, account book, 1810-11, 1 vol. Bristol Town Library records, 1869-72, 1 vol. Jeremiah BOWERS, justice records of Bristol, 1816-43, 1 vol. Levi BARTLETT, "Accounts of Lexington and Concord Maps [remainder of title illegible]", 1875, 1 bundle. Alstead papers, 1777-1810, deeds, mortgages, accounts, 1 vol. Stephen BLANCHARD account book, 1795-1806, 1 vol. Gad NEWELL, second minister of Nelson, sermons, 1793-1841, 23 vols. Henry LADD, notebook. List of New Hampshire centenarians, 1705-1877, 1 vol. Copy of Sunapee Proprietors' records, 1770, 1 vol. Benjamin GILES, biography, 1766-87, 1 vol. "Fragment of a Narrative of Events in Canada, 1775," 1 vol., by Mrs. WALKER whose husband was imprisoned for his sympathy with the Americans during the Revolution.

There are about 500 manuscripts, exclusive of the society's correspondence, the bulk of which is bound. The manuscripts are numbered but not arranged, nor are they catalogued. The material is scattered among the books and other publications.

Material may be consulted in the society's rooms or in the office of the curator.

See. - Collections of the New Hampshire Antiquarian Society Nos. 1-4. (Contoocook, 1874-79); Constitution of the New Hampshire Antiquarian Society. (Contoocook, 1880).

MANCHESTER.- AMERICAN RED CROSS, MANCHESTER CHAPTER,
Room 204, Post Office Building. Executive Secretary,
Elizabeth Richardson Gould. Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 12 m.,
1 p.m. to 5 p.m. week days, except Sat.

The chapter was established on July 28, 1916.

Holdings

The material held by the Chapter consists of reports and records of the Red Cross in Manchester, on: transients; World War; home service; life saving; veterans' records; hygiene; public health; unemployment relief; flood disaster, 1936; hurricane relief, 1938; roll call; committee organizations; funds raised for disasters.

There are 4 volumes, 34 file drawers, 1 vault of the records which are arranged under subject.

The records are confidential. Persons seeking information from the records should address the executive secretary.

MANCHESTER.- THE ASSOCIATION CANADO-AMERICAINE, 52 Concord St. Secretary to the president of the association, Lucille A. Mailhot. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. week days, except Sat.

The association is a fraternal benefit society, founded in 1896. Its manuscript holdings consist of a collection acquired by Adelard Lambert in 1918. Acquisition is by gift only. The association's headquarters is in a two-story, fireproof, stone and brick building, constructed in 1910. Outside dimensions are 100' x 75'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Writings of Henri d'ARLES, (pseud. of Rev. Henri BEAUDE). Arabesque; Le College sur la Colline; Estampes L'Eucharistie; Acadie (2 vols.); L'Eucharistie (2 vols.); Laudes; Essais et Conférences; Horizons; Louis Frechette, Propos d'Art; Introductio Novi Testamenti. Subjects embrace art, travels, history, religion and education in the United States and Canada. Work of Edouard RICHARD on Acadia, c. 1600 - c. 1750, n. d.

There are 16 volumes.

Manuscripts are available only to writers. There is no copy service.

MANCHESTER. - MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY, Pine St.
Librarian, Caroline B. Clement. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.,
week days, except holidays.

The library was founded in 1854 to meet the reading needs of the public. In collecting, the library specializes in local and New Hampshire history, though in the manuscript field, there is no specialization, but material of value will be purchased if it pertains to local history. No gifts are accepted unless the librarian may use discretion in the arrangement and disposition of material which is of no value to the library. The library is housed in a two-story, marble, fireproof building. Outside dimensions are 150' x 90'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Material consists of letters, deeds for land, and addresses.

There are one volume and 22 pieces for which there is neither arrangement nor catalogue.

Material is available to responsible researchers with definite purpose. Photostatic copies may be obtained at current rates.

MANCHESTER.- MANCHESTER HISTORIC ASSOCIATION,
Amherst St. Director, Fred W. Lamb. Hours: 2 p.m.
to 4 p.m. Tues., Thurs., and Sat.

The Manchester Historic Association was founded in 1896 "to collect, preserve and publish whatever may relate to the early and later history of the city of Manchester and the surrounding towns. . . ." Gifts (and rarely loans) of historical or museum items; no sale or exchange of items. The association is housed in a two-story, fireproof, stone building, constructed in 1931. Outside dimensions are 100' x 40'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Amoskeag Collection: Business records of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, 1821-1911, approx. 400 vols., including material on the manufacture of locomotives, 1849-59, and fire engines, 1859-74. Also records of companies absorbed by the Amoskeag, e. g., Blodget Paper Company. HARRISON Collection: material gathered by Peleg HARRISON when he was writing "The Stars and Stripes" (pub. 1906). Account books of Gen. John STARK, 1799-1804; Journal of STARK while in Orangetown, N. J., Aug.- Oct. 1780. KIDDER Collection, 1838-1902, journals, 15 vols., and diaries, 51 vols. Account book of Samuel BLODGET, 1803-7. Sermons of Nathaniel BOUTON, 1850-53. Records of Manchester Literary Society, 1855-56. Records of Juvenile Templars, 1877-82. Records of defunct Manchester fire companies, 1850-1918.

The number of volumes is estimated between 500 and 600, for which there is no arrangement or catalogue.

Any responsible person may gain access to the manuscripts. Users may make their own photographs.

See.- Collections of Manchester Historic Association,
vols. 1-14 (Manchester, 1896-1914).

MERRIMACK. - LOWELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY, Daniel Webster Highway. Librarian, Mrs. Josiah Henderson. Hours: 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Wed. and Sat.

The Merrimack Public Library was established in 1893 and was maintained in private homes until the present library building was given as a memorial in 1924. Gifts are accepted but no purchases are made. The library is housed in a one-story, brick building, 30' x 50'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Old Town Papers: pew deeds, 1773, 1807, 13, 15, 37; petition for warrant for town meeting, 1865; contracts to build and repair bridges, 1830; warrant for jury meeting, 1871; tax list, 1852; itemized account of "Committee for building New Meetinghouse", 1837; tax list and warrant of members of Universalist Society, 1827; militia enrollment list, 1872; contract with school teacher, 1814; warrant and return for school district meeting, 1870; abstracts of school records dealing with money raised for schools, 1754-1806. McCONIHE letters, 1825-36; ELA letters, c. 1848; MS. poetry by C. T. NOURSE, c. 1870.

The holdings consist of one folder and five volumes. The only arrangement is a grouping in envelopes, labeled 'Town', 'Church', 'School', etc.

Material is available during library hours and copying is permitted.

NASHUA.- NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY, Main St. Librarian, Clara E. Smith. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. week days, except Thurs. p. m.

The library was founded in 1867. There is no established policy with regard to collection of manuscripts. The library is housed in a three-story, fireproof, brick building, constructed in 1903.

Holdings

Notes on Nashua history by Gilman C. SHATTUCK; historical sketch of Nashua City Hall by Marshall D. COBLEIGH; essays on the flood of 1936 by Nashua High School students. Materials are available to all users. There is no photostatic service.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
JANUARY 1950

TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Enclosed for the Board of Trustees are two copies of a report
on the progress of the work of the Department of Chemistry
during the year 1949-1950. The report is divided into two parts,
one dealing with the general work of the department and the other
with the work of the various laboratories.

NEW IPSWICH.- NEW IPSWICH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.
Secretary, Abbie L. Phelps. Hours: to be determined when new building is opened.

The New Ipswich Historical Society was organized March 19, 1913, its purpose being to "discover, secure, and preserve whatever may relate to the natural, civil, literary, and ecclesiastical history of the town." Manuscripts are accepted as gifts, deposits or loans. The new building to which the collection is to be moved is a one-story, brick building, 34' x 74'. This building was a school house in New Ipswich and was built in 1829. It is "reasonably" fireproof and there is adequate space for the collection.

Holdings

MSS. are chiefly concerned with local material for the 18th and 19th c. and include: Records of the Second Congregational Church and Society of New Ipswich, N. H., 1851; Militia Enrollment Book, 1826-32; Orderly Book of the First Company in the Twenty-second Regiment New Hampshire Militia, 1833-39; town papers; correspondence of locally prominent people; miscellaneous diaries, sermons, verse, etc. of residents.

The holdings consist of approximately 200 manuscripts and 6 volumes. Manuscripts are arranged and catalogued in curator's book.

Material is available to researchers, copying is permitted.

See.- New Ipswich Historical Society, (1937+).

PETERBOROUGH.- PETERBOROUGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.
Grove St. Librarian, Jessie Field. Hours: open by
appointment; Mrs. Field's telephone number is 349-M.

The society was founded in 1902 for the encouragement of the study of local history. The only method of accession is by gifts and loans; there is no exchange or sale of items. The society is housed in a two-story, brick building constructed in 1917, one wing of which has been rented to the New England Telephone Co., and another wing to the Guernsey Cattle Association. The manuscripts are kept in a vault; space is adequate.

Holdings

Material deals with Peterborough and Sharon history. Among the holdings are the records of the Peterborough Methodist Episcopal Church, 1825-1924, 15 vols.; Church Records, 1825-1910: members, baptisms, deaths, officers, minutes of meetings, financial reports, Sabbath School reports; Epworth League Records, 1899-1904: lists of members, names of lecturers; Ladies Aid Society, 1904-24: officers, members, constitution, by-laws, minutes of meetings. Progressive Club Collections, 1904-33, 6 vols., minutes and guest book. Elijah DUNBAR Collection: 1799-1836, 4 vols., and 30 pieces, centers about the activities of the Rev. Mr. DUNBAR, Congregational clergyman; a copy of the diary; 16 sermons, 1799-1824; song book of Henry DUNBAR (Elijah DUNBAR'S son), and 3 letters; a group of sermons in shorthand, by Samuel DUNBAR, 1738-83; copies of church records, 1827-97. Jonathan SMITH Collection: 1738-1876, 7 vols. and 7 bundles of about 400 pieces, copy of Peterborough Proprietors' records, 1738-67; records of standing committee of the Peterborough Academy, 1837-41; Albert SMITH'S diary, Feb.-Aug. 1828; diary of unknown, Apr. 1818-Feb. 1819; diary of unknown, 1819-20; diary of unknown, May-Sep. 1855; laying out highways, 1738-1872; STEELE'S Journal of a journey from Peterborough to North Carolina, 1855; records of the Peterborough Lyceum, 1829-52; letters, reports, essays, miscellaneous letters, bills, reports, 1820-76. The Smith Collection was assembled presumably while Mr. Albert Smith was collecting material for his History of Peterborough. (Boston, 1876).

There are 62 volumes and 16 bundles of manuscripts, of which one-fourth are arranged by author and subject. The pieces are catalogued on 50 cards (3" x 5") which show location, label of vault drawer, title or subject. Two small trunks of church records and two file drawers of deeds are in custody of Eben Jones, stored in a vault.

The material is available to qualified researchers upon application to the librarian. There is no copy service.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

The following report was prepared by the author for the purpose of presenting the results of his researches on the subject of the chemical changes which take place in the decomposition of organic compounds. The work was carried out in the laboratory of the Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, during the year 1911-1912.

Summary

The decomposition of organic compounds is a process which has attracted the attention of chemists for many years. It is a process which is of great importance in the study of the properties of organic compounds, and it is one which has been the subject of many investigations. The purpose of the present work was to determine the nature of the changes which take place in the decomposition of organic compounds, and to determine the conditions under which these changes take place. The work was carried out in the laboratory of the Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, during the year 1911-1912.

The results of the work are presented in the following chapters. Chapter I contains a general discussion of the decomposition of organic compounds, and Chapter II contains a discussion of the decomposition of organic compounds in the presence of oxygen. Chapter III contains a discussion of the decomposition of organic compounds in the presence of water, and Chapter IV contains a discussion of the decomposition of organic compounds in the presence of acids.

PORTSMOUTH.- THE THOMAS BAILEY ALDRICH MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION, 386 Court St. Custodian, James Hannon. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 20 to Sept. 20.

The Thomas Bailey Aldrich home was purchased by public subscription in 1908 as a memorial to him. The manuscripts belong in a private collection and were loaned to the association by the heirs of Thomas Bailey Aldrich. There is no provision to buy or sell material. The house was built in 1790; in 1908 a fireproof, one-story vault was added to house manuscripts, first editions and art objects.

Holdings

Letters, essays and poems, Oliver Wendell HOLMES, 1863-91, 5 vols.; 4 letters, William JAMES, 1883-86; book reviews, essays on travel and novel, Henry JAMES, 1885-86, 4 vols.; essay on The Scarlet Letter, Julian HAWTHORNE, 1886; letter on the War 1863, Nathaniel HAWTHORNE; letter from HAWTHORNE to G. MUCHMORE, 1846; first draft of "The Wreck of the Hesperus" and other poems, Henry Wadsworth LONGFELLOW, 1858-82; poems, Bayard TAYLOR, 1874; novels, Charles Egbert CRADDOCK (Mary MURFREE), 1885-86, 5 vols.; letters, short stories and poems, Sarah Orne JEWETT, 1875-1902, 1 vol., 122 letters, 36 sheets; 114 letters, Edwin BOOTH, 1862-93; letters and poems, James Russell LOWELL, 1853-90, 6 vols.; 6 sheets of the "New Uncommercial Samples", Charles DICKENS, n.d.; novel, Two on a Tower, Thomas HARDY, n.d., 1 vol.; essay, Charles Dudley WARNER, 1888; lecture on Lafayette, Charles SUMNER, 1870, 1 vol.; poem, Edmund GOSSE, n.d.; poems, Louise Imogene GUINEY, 1885-86; poems, Bret HARTE, 1871, 4 pages; essays and poems, Andrew HEDBROOK (E. R. SILL), 1885-87, 56 pages; letters, Julia ARTHUR, 1914, 8 pages; letters, Isabella Stewart GARDNER, 1904-17; 21 letters, Francis BARTLETT, 1894-1908; 58 letters, Richard Grant WHITE, 1881-84; 16 letters, Joseph JEFFERSON, 1884-1904; 2 letters, Bernard Malcolm RAMSEY, 1898, 99; autograph, Ellen TERRY, n.d.; 65 letters, Helen Hunt JACKSON, 1881-85; 48 letters, Richard Watson GILDER, 1884-1912; 53 letters, Archer M. HUNTINGTON, 1891-1915; letter, T. W. HIGGINSON to F. B. SANBORN, (refers to underground railroad), 1860; 5 letters, Lawrence HUTTON, 1894-1904; letters and poems of John Greenleaf WHITTIER, 1866-91, 2 vols.; essays and letters of William Dean HOWELLS, 1908-15, 160 letters, 130 sheets; essay, Francis PARKMAN, 1885, 15 sheets; poem "Boston", Ralph Waldo EMERSON, n.d., 15 sheets; essays and poems, Alfred NOYES, n.d., 9 sheets; essay on SWINBURNE, George E. WOODBURY, 1917, 1 vol.; poems by Charles Algernon SWINBURNE, n.d., 1 vol.; letters from

Thomas Bailey ALDRICH to HUTTON, 1891-1904; plays, essays, and poems by ALDRICH, 1889-1904, 3 vols., 12 sheets.

There are 3,000 items, which are arranged alphabetically by author. 1,000 cards (3" x 5") catalogue the collection.

Persons who wish to use material must show credentials and make appointment with James Hannon, Court Street.

PORTSMOUTH.- PORTSMOUTH ATHENAEUM, 9 Market Sq.
Librarian, Mary A. Hanscom. Not open to the public.

The Athenaeum was incorporated in 1817 for the purpose of promoting learning "by establishing a library and depository for valuable and rare productions in the various arts and sciences and polite literature." Accessions are made only by outright gifts; manuscripts are neither sold nor exchanged. The Athenaeum is housed in a four-story, fire-resistant, brick building, constructed in 1803. Outside dimensions are 60' x 20'. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Royal commission for Gov. Benning WENTWORTH, 1737; letter of introduction written by John HANCOCK, 1783; letter of John ADAMS to Charles CUSHING, 1817; appointment by Gov. William SHIRLEY of commissioners to treat with Maine Indians, 1753; letter of Alexander HAMILTON to John COCHRAN, 1794; signatures of persons present at celebration of New Hampshire's second century; Album of the Mutual Admiration Society of Bowdoin College, 1857-60, with 25 testimonial letters of Bowdoin students; 2 bills of lading, 1759.

There is no catalogue.

Material may be examined only by special permission for which application should be made to the librarian.
There is no copy service.

PORTSMOUTH. - PORTSMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, John Paul Jones House, 43 Middle St. Custodian, Mrs. A. J. Lance. Open June 1 to Oct. 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The society was organized in 1919 for the purpose of furnishing the John Paul Jones House as an early American home with furniture of Jones' period. One room was used as a museum in which papers received were placed. No especial effort has been made to collect manuscripts. The house was built about 1758 and is a wooden, three-story building.

Holdings

Bills, letters, and deeds to land in Portsmouth; letters written by: LAFAYETTE, from Boston, Aug. 25, 1824; Martin HOYT, U. S. S. Kearsarge, Jan. 19, 1864; William PEPPERELL; Benning WENTWORTH.

There are 175 pieces. There is neither arrangement nor catalogue.

The material is available to users; photostats may be obtained at current rates.

PORTSMOUTH.- WARNER HOUSE, 150 Daniels St.
Custodian, Mrs. Fred E. Drake. Hours: 10 a.m. to
5 p.m. week days, except holidays, from June to Sept.
Admission fee \$.25.

The construction of the Warner House was begun in
1718 and was completed in 1723. It is a three-story,
brick structure. The house was opened to the public
in 1931. Gifts are welcomed.

Holdings

One volume of McPHEADRIS papers, 1707-1807, con-
tains: deeds of property bought by the WARNER family in
Portsmouth, deed of land given for burying ground of
Queen's Chapel (now St. John's); early ship reports of
(Archibald) McPHEADRIS and Jonathan WARNER, shipping
merchants and members of the King's Council; bills
of lading, 1716; letter of McPHEADRIS urging Irish
fishermen and servants to come to America, 1717; bill
of sale for ships, 1717; report of ship captured and
salvage paid, Apr. 1757; deposition of ship's master
for Portsmouth ship wrecked in 1767.

There are 81 items in the volume which are arranged
chronologically.

Permission to use the material must be obtained
from the president of the Board of Governors. There
is no copy service.

ROCHESTER. - ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY, South Main St. Librarian, Lillian E. Parshley. Hours: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., Sat.

The library was founded in October 1893. Manuscripts are accepted as gifts or loans; the library has no field of specialization in collecting and does not purchase, sell, or exchange. The library is housed in a two-story, brick and granite building, constructed in 1905. The main building is 44' x 56'; the stack room in the rear is fireproof, and its dimensions are 22' x 35'. Space is inadequate.

Holdings

The bulk of holdings is comprised of 1042 sermons, 1775-1825, of the Rev. Joseph HAVEN, pastor of the First Congregational Church in Rochester for 49 years. The other items relate to local history.

There are 1057 manuscripts, 12 linear feet. Arrangement is 90% complete, by author; 90% of the pieces are catalogued by group, each group having 3 cards: author, subject, title.

Manuscripts are accessible "upon recommendation, and under supervision of the Rochester Public Library staff." There is no copy service.

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SANDWICH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.- Center Sandwich.
President, Mr. Joseph Wentworth. Hours: indeterminate.

The society was organized in 1917 for the purpose of studying the history of certain areas in the town, one area being selected each year; and collecting portraits, utensils, and manuscripts of local interest. Society is housed in former village home, constructed of wood. Space is adequate.

Holdings

Items of local interest: town inventory, 1827; list of voters, 1776; church trial of Betsey PRESCOTT for the "sinful temper of jealousy", 1829; certificate of Quaker marriage of Gideon CORNELL and Abigail FRY, 1845; election subscription list, 1856; list of monies raised by the Methodist Society, 1864-65; vision of Joseph HOAG, 1803, by which he foretold great dissensions in the nation including the Civil War.

Manuscripts are kept in two envelopes (6" x 11"), each labeled as to contents. The society also keeps a list of all accessions.

See. - Sandwich Historical Society Annual Bulletin.
(Meredith, 1920+).

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BY JAMES M. SMITH, LL.D., OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FROM THE FIRST SETTLEMENTS TO THE PRESENT TIME. IN TEN VOLUMES. VOL. IV. THE REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD, 1763-1789. BY JAMES M. SMITH, LL.D., OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. NEW YORK: PUBLISHED BY J. B. LIPPINCOTT, 15 N. 2ND ST. 1889.

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WALPOLE.- THE WALPOLE SOCIETY FOR BRINGING TO JUSTICE HORSE THIEVES AND PILFERERS, North Main St. Custodian, Russell Graves. Hours: none.

The society, composed of eighty-six members, was formed in 1816 for the purpose its name implies. It was incorporated in 1835 and at the present time is a social organization. The manuscripts are housed in the home of Mr. Graves.

Holdings

Minutes of meetings and reports of committees, 1816-1908, 1 vol.; act of incorporation, 1835, signed by Governor William BADGER; treasurers' reports, 1816-58, 1 vol.; petition and warrant to hold meeting, 1893, signed by justice of peace; records of the Walpole Detecting Society, 1816-78, 2 vols.; miscellaneous papers, n.d., 1 vol., 230 sheets.

There is no catalogue or list of these records. The material is available for examination. The current records are kept by the secretary of the organization.

A P P E N D I X

Historical Societies in New Hampshire

Without Manuscript Collections.

CONWAY.- THE CONWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. President, Ruth A. Kennett, the Village Shop.

The society is of recent foundation. Its holdings consist of a very few papers of local interest which have been presented at regular meetings; one on "Roads to Conway" and a few concerning the early houses in Conway. The president writes, "A year from now we may have a collection of interest."

EXETER.- EXETER HISTORICAL SOCIETY. President, A. T. Dudley.

The society was formed in March 1928 for the purpose of studying the history of Exeter and the towns within the original Exeter grant. They have no building but space for a steel file has been provided in the vault of the clerk of court, County Records Building, Exeter. This file cabinet contains pictures of early Exeter.

HANCOCK.- THE HANCOCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Care-taker, Mrs. Charles Upton. Hours: Visitors shown rooms on request.

The society was organized on May 9, 1903, to collect articles and manuscripts of historical interest. The society is housed in its own two-story, brick building.

MILFORD.- MILFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Nashua St. Secretary, Mrs. Alice Kidder, 9 Clinton St.

This society was founded in 1895. A room was given by the town in the Lull Mansion ca. 1911. This structure dates from 1850, and is a wooden building two-stories high, 50' x 80'. The collection consists only of historical relics and pictures of the Hutchinson singers.

NASHUA.- NASHUA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Main St.
President, William Sullivan. Not open to the public.

In 1925 the society was organized to promote interest in the preservation of historical relics of Nashua. Gifts will be acceptable when it is possible to house them properly. At present the holdings of the society are preserved in a box at the Indian Head National Bank in Nashua. As soon as a place is found to house the society, the holdings will be available to users.

WOLFEBORO.- WOLFEBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.
Custodian, Josephine M. Rust. Hours: 2-6 p.m. July 1-Oct. 1.

This is simply a house of historical interest with old furniture and furnishings.

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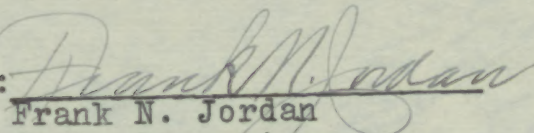
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